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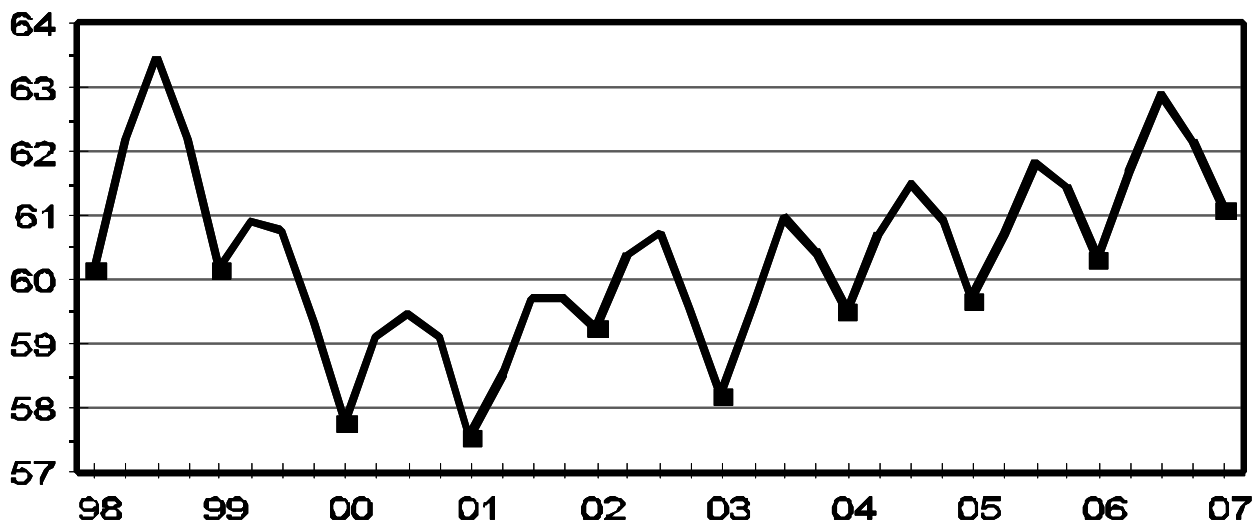
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## U.S. Hog Inventory Up 1 Percent

**U.S. inventory** of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2007 was 61.1 million head. This was up 1 percent from March 1, 2006, but down 2 percent from December 1, 2006. **Breeding inventory**, at 6.08 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, but down slightly from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 55.0 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, but down 2 percent from last quarter. **The December 2006-February 2007 pig crop**, at 26.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2006 and up 3 percent from 2005. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.87 million head, up 1 percent from both 2006 and 2005. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 47 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.08 for the December 2006-February 2007 period, compared to 9.03 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

## U.S. Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory March 1

Million Head



## Utah Livestock Slaughter

**UTAH: Commercial red meat production** totaled 39.4 million pounds in March 2007, down 11.7 percent from March of the previous year. **Cattle slaughter** in Utah for March 2007 totaled 48,800 head, 15 percent below a year earlier. The average live weight was 1,301 pounds, up 35 pounds from March 2006. **Hog slaughter** totaled 4,100 head up 24.2 percent from the previous year. The average live weight was 193 pounds, down 41 pounds from the previous year. **Sheep and lamb slaughter** during March 2007 totaled 3,000 head, up 7.1 percent from the previous year. Average live weight, at 143 pounds, was up 1 pound from the previous year.

## U.S. March Milk Production Up 1.1 Percent

**Milk production** in the 23 major States during March totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 1.1 percent from March 2006. February revised production, at 13.1 billion pounds, was up 0.6 percent from February 2006. The February revision represented a decrease of 31 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. **Production per cow** in the 23 major States averaged 1,782 pounds for March, 7 pounds above March 2006. **The number of milk cows** on farms in the 23 major States was 8.28 million head, 58,000 head more than March 2006, and 5,000 head more than February 2007.

### Milk Cows and Production: By State and United States, Preliminary January-March, 2006-2007

State	Jan-Mar Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Jan-Mar Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change From 2006
	2006	2007	2006	2007	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	14	13	60	58	-3.3
AK	0.8	0.6	2.4	2.2	-8.3
AZ	171	175	1,059	1,064	0.5
AR	21.0	18.5	71	63	-11.3
CA	1,779	1,793	9,711	10,061	3.6
CO	106	115	605	620	2.5
CT	20	19	97	95	-2.1
DE	7	7	32.2	30.0	-6.8
FL	134	130	608	588	-3.3
GA	78	77	379	381	0.5
HI	4.5	3.6	15.3	12.1	-20.9
ID	474	503	2,551	2,729	7.0
IL	104	103	509	489	-3.9
IN	162	166	821	841	2.4
IA	201	210	1,032	1,070	3.7
KS	111	110	586	557	-4.9
KY	101	93	351	333	-5.1
LA	33	30	119	106	-10.9
ME	32	32	140	141	0.7
MD	67	60	290	268	-7.6
MA	16	15	72	65	-9.7
MI	315	325	1,737	1,825	5.1
MN	448	455	2,102	2,171	3.3
MS	23	22	100	91	-9.0
MO	114	115	487	444	-8.8
MT	19	18	90	83	-7.8
NE	60	60	277	284	2.5
NV	27	27	140	142	1.4
NH	15.5	14.0	77	72	-6.5
NJ	11.5	10.5	48	43	-10.4
NM	344	353	1,879	1,772	-5.7
NY	646	628	3,034	2,964	-2.3
NC	52	48	254	240	-5.5
ND	33	31	119	116	-2.5
OH	273	275	1,212	1,224	1.0
OK	75	70	311	296	-4.8
OR	119	112	555	548	-1.3
PA	556	549	2,723	2,663	-2.2
RI	1.1	1.1	4.6	4.3	-6.5
SC	17	17	76	84	10.5
SD	81	84	364	401	10.2
TN	69	66	284	270	-4.9
TX	329	347	1,825	1,853	1.5
UT	85	86	404	438	8.4
VT	143	140	663	627	-5.4
VA	103	100	462	446	-3.5
WA	237	235	1,353	1,341	-0.9
WV	13	13	50	50	
WI	1,240	1,246	5,779	5,904	2.2
WY	6.4	7.1	26.2	29.1	11.1
US <sup>3</sup>	9,092	9,128	45,547	45,999	1.0

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

<sup>3</sup> May not add due to rounding.

## Agricultural Prices

**Utah:** Mid-April 2007 prices received by Utah farmers and ranchers for baled alfalfa hay remained the same as last month, was up \$7.00 per ton from last year. Other hay, at \$85.00 per ton, down \$2.00 from March 2007, and was \$5.00 lower than April 2006. Barley was \$3.75 per bushel for the month of April 2007, up 5 cents from the previous month. The average price of all milk purchased in March 2007 from Utah farmers was \$15.60 per hundred wt. (Cwt) up 4.7 percent from February 2007 and up 23.8 percent from March 2006.

**United States:** The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in April, at 135 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 1 point (0.7 percent) from March. The Crop Index is down 1 point (0.7 percent) but the Livestock Index increased 3 points (2.4 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for onions, milk, cattle, and tomatoes. Lower prices were received for lettuce, corn, strawberries, and eggs. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of cattle, oranges, strawberries, and milk offset decreased marketings of soybeans, corn, wheat, and hogs. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 24 points (22 percent) from April 2006. The Food Commodities Index, at 137, increased 2 points (1.5 percent) from last month and 25 points (22 percent) from April 2006.

### Average Prices Received by Farmers <sup>1</sup>

Commodity	Utah						United States					
	Barley <sup>2</sup>		Alfalfa Hay, <sup>3</sup> Baled		Other Hay, <sup>3</sup> Baled		Barley <sup>2</sup>		Alfalfa Hay, Baled <sup>3</sup>		Other Hay, <sup>3</sup> Baled	
Month	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
January	(2)	3.65	95.00	105.00	80.00	79.00	2.42	3.03	96.40	115.00	84.30	102.00
February	2.11	3.91	100.00	107.00	85.00	81.00	2.57	3.10	99.20	117.00	83.20	105.00
March	2.17	3.70	96.00	113.00	85.00	87.00	2.71	3.10	100.00	120.00	86.60	108.00
April	2.29	3.75	106.00	113.00	90.00	85.00	2.67	3.29	110.00	128.00	93.20	113.00
May	2.20		98.00		77.00		2.96		118.00		96.80	
June	(2)		99.00		87.00		2.78		115.00		90.10	
July	2.36		104.00		80.00		2.70		113.00		89.30	
August	2.39		105.00		81.00		2.70		110.00		91.50	
September	2.58		95.00		71.00		2.56		112.00		93.00	
October	2.95		99.00		71.00		2.76		112.00		93.80	
November	2.72		99.00		75.00		2.92		109.00		98.10	
December	3.40		105.00		79.00		2.95		112.00		99.30	

<sup>1</sup>April 2007 is mid-month price. <sup>2</sup> Dollars per bushel. <sup>3</sup> Dollars per ton. <sup>4</sup> Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

Commodity	Utah		United States	
	All Milk		All Milk	
Month	2006	2007	2006	2007
January	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50
February	13.70	14.80	13.50	14.90
March	12.70	15.60	12.60	15.60
April	11.60		12.10	
May	11.50		12.00	
June	11.40		11.90	
July	11.40		11.80	
August	11.50		12.00	
September	13.10		12.90	
October	13.30		13.50	
November	13.80		13.90	
December	14.10		14.10	

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## Manufactured Dairy Products

**UTAH:** **Total cheese** output (excluding cottage cheese) in February 2007 at 7.6 million pounds, was 8.8 percent below January 2007, and 32.2 percent above February 2006. **Hard ice cream** production at 1.8 million gallons, was 1.8 percent above January 2007, and was 2.6 percent below February 2006.

**UNITED STATES:** **Total cheese** output (excluding cottage cheese) was 745 million pounds, 3.3 percent above February 2006 but 9.8 percent below January 2007. **Italian type cheese** production totaled 320 million pounds, 4.1 percent above February 2006 but 9.4 percent below January 2007. **American type cheese** production totaled 302 million pounds, 0.7 percent below February 2006 and 11.9 percent below January 2007. **Butter** production was 134 million pounds, 2.0 percent below February 2006 and 11.1 percent below January 2007. **Hard ice cream** production at 64.6 million gallons, was up 2.7 percent from February 2006, and down 0.3 from January 2007.

### Manufactured Dairy Production - February 2006-2007 with Comparisons

Product	Utah			United States		
	February 2006	January <sup>1</sup> 2007	February 2007	February 2006	January <sup>1</sup> 2007	February 2007
1,000 Pounds						
Total Cheese .....	5,713	8,284	7,553	720,978	825,969	745,076
1,000 Gallons						
Hard ice cream .....	1,828	1,750	1,781	62,916	64,840	64,615

<sup>1</sup> Revised.